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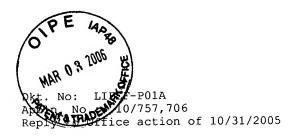
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- a. required an election to be made of written record and affirmed; and
- b. rejected Claims 1-26 under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being obvious;

please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- 1. There are no amendments to the Specification.
- 2. Amendments to the Claims and listing therefor begin on the page of this paper captioned as <u>Amendments to the Claims</u>.
- 15 3. There are no amendments to the Drawings.
 - 4. Remarks/Arguments begin on the page of this paper captioned as Remarks/Arguments.
 - 5. There is no Appendix to this paper.